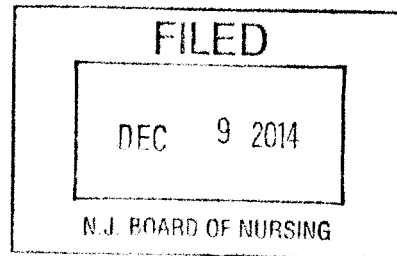


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR	:	
REVOCATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF	:	
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SHAKERA LOWMAN, C.H.H.A.	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
Certificate No. 26NH09848200	:	
	:	INTERIM CONSENT ORDER
	:	OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
TO PRACTICE AS A HOMEMAKER-HOME	:	
HEALTH AIDE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY:	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of information indicating that Shakera Lowman, certified homemaker-home health aide ("Respondent") was arrested on October 17, 2014 by the Union Police Department for N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4, Endangering the Welfare of Children, N.J.S.A. 2C:12-1b5(a), Aggravated Assault and N.J.S.A. 39:4-50, Driving While Intoxicated. Specifically, a police officer observed Respondent stopped in traffic with her car in drive, her foot on the brake, asleep at the wheel. After several attempts by the police officer to wake Respondent, she woke up, was confused and her eyes were watery and bloodshot. The

police officer detected the smell of alcohol and noticed a small bottle of alcohol in the cup holder, half of which was empty. Two small children were in the backseat of the car without restraints or car seats. While at the police station, Respondent allegedly assaulted a police officer by swinging her elbow into the officer's shoulder as he tried to retrieve her sneakers.

The allegations, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent has engaged in acts constituting crimes and which relate adversely to the practice of nursing in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f), is presently engaged in alcohol use that is likely to impair the ability to practice the profession with reasonable skill and safety in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(1), and has committed crimes requiring the revocation of her certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:11-24.3.

It appearing that Respondent wishes to voluntarily enter into an interim agreement without making admissions and without prejudice to Respondent's ability to defend the allegations against her; and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and other good cause having been shown;

IT IS on this 9th day of December, 2014,

ORDERED that:

1. Respondent is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender her certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey pending disposition of the criminal

charges, successful completion of all criminal sentencing terms (if any), and until further Order of the Board. Respondent shall, contemporaneously with the signing of this Order, forward her homemaker-home health aide certificate, both wallet and wall versions, to Shirley P. Dickstein, DAG, P.O. Box 45029, Newark, New Jersey 07101, on behalf of the Board of Nursing.

2. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from holding herself out as a certified homemaker-home health aide and/or practicing as a homemaker-home health aide, which includes but is not limited to performing delegated nursing regimens or nursing tasks delegated through the authority of a duly licensed professional nurse.

3. Prior to any application for restoration of her certification, Respondent shall appear before the Board or a committee thereof to discuss her readiness to reenter practice as a homemaker-home health aide. At that time Respondent shall be prepared to propose her plans for future practice in New Jersey and demonstrate that she is fit and competent to practice and has been rehabilitated to the Board's satisfaction.

4. Nothing herein shall preclude the Board from initiating disciplinary action based upon the conduct relating to Respondent as alleged above. The entry of the within Order is without prejudice to the further investigation and/or prosecution of any violations by Respondent of any statutes or regulations governing the practice of

nursing in the State or any violations of law, by the Board, the Attorney General, or any other regulatory or law enforcement agency, including but not limited to any pending matters under investigation.

5. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an admission of liability on the part of the Respondent.

6. If Respondent's certification as a homemaker-home health aide is reinstated, the Board, in its discretion, may impose any conditions or restrictions on licensure it deems necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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I have read and understand
the within Consent Order and
agree to be bound by its terms.

Shakera Lowman
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